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FROM: Allegany County Board of Legislators

**RE:** STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign – Saint Patrick's Day

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Allegany County, NY – Local Law enforcement agencies will participate in the statewide STOP-DWI Impaired Driving High Visibility Engagement Campaign during this Saint Patrick's Day weekend, starting on Thursday, March. 16 and will end on Monday, March 20, 2023.

Despite the fact that it's illegal to drive when impaired by alcohol, in 2020, one person was killed every 45 minutes by a drunk driver on our nation's roads. This Saint Patrick's Day, and everyday, remember: Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving.

Always remember to plan ahead if you will be celebrating. If you plan to drink, plan a sober ride to get you home and live to be Irish another day. Is it your turn to be the designated driver? Take that role seriously and do not consume alcohol, not even one drink.

The Statewide High Visibility Engagement Campaign also targets Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day/End of Summer, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Holiday Season and Superbowl weekend.

For more information download the STOP-DWI mobile app at www.stopdwi.org/mobileapp or the National Highway Traffic Safety.

About Allegany County

Situated along the upper Genesee River and bordering Pennsylvania to the South, Allegany County, known as the Western NY Wilds, is a welcome retreat for visitors, residents, and businesses alike. Amidst our lush green forests and hills, you'll discover a lifestyle that is safe, accessible, and affordable.

About Allegany County Government

The Allegany County Legislature is made up of five districts, covering 1035 square miles of wildly beautiful landscape. Each district elects three representatives to serve a four-year term on the Board of Legislators.

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